IN RESPONSE TO HOW THE WATER DISTRICT SHOULD BE FORMED

On December 10, 2005 at 6:00 p.m., the Chairperson, Water master, Representatives of the City of Albion, and local ground and surface water users met to discuss formation of the ground water district. It was the overall consensus of the group that the topographical fall lines in the drainage should form the boundaries of the district. The group found that the Albion Basin area would be best served as a Ground Water District of its own. The following is a list of reasons for this decision.

- #1 The Albion Basin sits by itself in an uplifted area bordered on the East and West by major Tertiary Faults in an uplift, and separate from the Oakley fan, and Malta area. Reference: Map #8 from Idaho Geographical Survey, and further defined in Geologic Map Series Pocatello 2 degree Quadrangle Map.
- #2 Oakley Valley falls in the West Cassia Soil and Water Conservation District. whereas the Albion Basin is in the East Cassia Soil and Water Conservation District.
- #3 Both the Malta and the Oakley fans are connected to interstate water of Utah, and Nevada: Utah on the Malta side, and Utah and Nevada on the Oakley side.
- #4 Both Malta and Oakley have, or have been designated critical ground water areas.
- #5 Approximately fifteen years ago, the East Cassia Soil and Water Conservation District petitioned the State of Idaho for a Ground Water Recharge District, and still hopes to further that goal.

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